



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held January 6, 2009, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Consideration of the Chief Executive Officer's proposed Countywide "Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy," and the creation of a multi-jurisdictional committee to be known as the "Los Angeles County Gang Prevention, Intervention and Suppression Coordination Committee," with the Chief Executive Officer as the Chair; and consideration of the following, as requested at the meeting of May 8, 2008:

Approve the Florence/Firestone and Pacoima areas as demonstration sites, and instruct the Chief Executive Officer to return to the Board within 180 days with a detailed plan of proposed strategies and implementation of said strategies in these sites, in order to evaluate strategy effectiveness and viability for Countywide expansion;

Request the Sheriff to develop a coordinated, regional and multi-jurisdictional gang suppression strategy, addressing violence and crime, to be piloted in the demonstration sites; and

Instruct the Acting Auditor-Controller, using the Gang Funding Report prepared by the Countywide Criminal Justice Coordination Committee as a starting point, to develop a comprehensive list of County programs that currently engage in gang prevention, intervention and suppression efforts, and report back to the Chief Executive Officer within 120 days.

Doyle Campbell, Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Sheriff Lee Baca addressed the Board regarding the proposed Countywide Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy.

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Supervisor Knabe made the following statement:

“The item before this Board today is in reference to the Countywide gangs and violence reduction strategy, and the creation of a multi-jurisdictional committee to be known as the Los Angeles County Gang Prevention Intervention and Suppression Coordination Committee. The key word in the preceding statement is ‘Countywide’. As we all are painfully aware, gangs know no boundaries nor do they know boundaries within the same jurisdiction. While the areas noted as part of this set item today clearly have their gang difficulties, I would like to get on record that other areas of the County have their own significant gang tipping point issues. The Harbor Gateway area is equally worthy of the County’s efforts in this regard. As such, I would like to put before this Board that we add the Harbor Gateway as an additional pilot area as part of this gang reduction effort.”

Therefore, Supervisor Knabe made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Ridley-Thomas, that the Board instruct the Chief Executive Officer to add the Harbor Gateway area as an additional pilot site as part of the Countywide Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy.

William T Fujioka, Chief Executive Officer responded to questions posed by the Board.

Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

“The item before this Board today concerns the creation of a multi-jurisdictional committee to develop a comprehensive gang strategy to be piloted in Florence/Firestone and Pacoima areas. The County would also benefit from a site which involves multiple jurisdictions and partnerships to truly test our ability to work effectively across different jurisdictions. The Monrovia-Duarte area is a prime example which involves the Independent City of Monrovia, Contract City of Duarte as well as the surrounding unincorporated areas. This area has experienced complex and cyclical gang violence over a period of years.”

Therefore, Supervisor Antonovich made a motion that the Board instruct the Chief Executive Officer to include the Monrovia-Duarte area as one of the pilot sites.

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Supervisor Antonovich made the following additional statement:

“The item before this Board today concerns the Countywide gangs and violence reduction strategy, and the creation of a multi-jurisdictional committee to be known as the Los Angeles County Gang Prevention, Intervention and Suppression Coordination Committee (Committee).

“As we all are painfully aware, gangs know no jurisdictional boundaries. Consequently, while two initial pilot sites have been identified as part of this set item, other communities, such as Harbor Gateway and the Monrovia/Duarte to name a few, continue their battle to eradicate gang violence and gang members from their communities.

“Moreover, targeted efforts in one community often shift criminal activity to other communities. It is, therefore, critically important that the Committee’s implementation plan ensure against any adverse impact on other communities and not remove or reallocate existing resources and services committed in other parts of the County.”

Therefore, Supervisor Antonovich made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, that the Board take the following actions:

1. Approve the Chief Executive Officer’s foregoing recommendation;
2. Direct the Chief Executive Officer to ensure that no existing resources/services are moved from areas outside of the pilot areas and into the named areas as part of this effort; and
3. Direct the Acting Auditor-Controller to verify, as part of the upcoming report back, that no existing services/resources are moved from other areas of the County to accomplish the Los Angeles County Gang Prevention, Intervention and Suppression Coordination Committee’s recommendations.

Charles L. Beck, Chief of Detectives for the Los Angeles City Police Department responded to questions posed by the Board.

Arnold Sachs addressed the Board.

Supervisor Ridley-Thomas made a suggestion that Supervisor Knabe’s motion be amended to also include the unincorporated area of the Harbor Gateway as part of the additional pilot area proposed for the Countywide Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy. Supervisor Knabe accepted Supervisor Ridley-Thomas’ amendment.

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After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Knabe, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried, the Chief Executive Officer's attached recommendations were approved with the following amendments:

1. Add the Harbor Gateway area, including the unincorporated area of the Harbor Gateway, as an additional pilot site for the Countywide Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy;
2. Add the Monrovia-Duarte area as an additional pilot site for the Countywide Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy;
3. Direct the Chief Executive Officer to ensure that no existing resources/services are moved from areas outside of the pilot areas and into the named areas as part of this effort; and
4. Direct the Acting Auditor-Controller to verify, as part of the upcoming report back, that no existing services/resources are moved from other areas of the County to accomplish the Los Angeles County Gang Prevention, Intervention and Suppression Coordination Committee's recommendations.

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### Attachment

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